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1. At 0400 on 1 March, many tanks and trucks were seen en route to the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. They included 6 T-34/85 tanks and 15 trucks with billeting equipment. 25X1

At 1000 on 8 March, 4 x 57-mm AT guns, 6 armored personnel carriers and 14 trucks including some carrying billeting equipment were seen on the loading ramp of the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station. Truck were seen. A rather small number of soldiers were observed during the loading. 25X1

2. At 1000 on 6 March, 6 T-34/85 tanks, 2 trucks, 1 tank truck and approximately 50 soldiers from the Karlshorst restricted area (4161) who wore red-bordered black epaulets including some with tank insignia were entrained at the Berlin-Schoeneweide railroad station and went toward Gruenau.¹

3. At 1640 on 2 March, a train carrying 6 x 85-mm AT guns, 6 trucks and 4 boxcarloads of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets passed through the Oranienburg railroad station. The shipment came from Fuerstenberg and went to Altengrabow.²

4. On 5 March, 14 x 76-mm AA guns, 2 AA machine guns on trucks, more than 20 trucks 1 ambulance, 2 field kitchens, billeting equipment and 7 boxcarloads of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were entrained at the Velten railroad station and left northward at about 1900.³ 25X1

5. At 0930 on 3 March, a train carrying 17 x 122-mm field guns, 19 SHts-NATI type prime movers, approximately 10 trucks, 2 tank trucks and 6 boxcarloads of soldiers was seen at the Potsdam railroad station ready to depart. The train was headed west.⁴

6. Between 1445 and 1600 on 4 March, 3 x 122-mm field howitzers, 33 trucks occupied to capacity by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 4 field offices with trailers, 1 ambulance and 3 field kitchens left the Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne (2001) in Brandenburg and went toward the town. 25X1

7. At 0900 on 7 March, 15 to 20 rocket launchers presumably of type M-13, approximately 30 trucks, 2 radio trucks, 2 field kitchens and approximately 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia passed through Stendal and proceeded toward Wahrenburg. 25X1

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1. Comment. On 1 March, units of the 7th Gds Mecz Div [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] transferred to Lieberose in 2 shipments [redacted]
[redacted] were entrained in Frankfurt/Oder. 25X1
On 6 and 8 March, additional units of the division from Frankfurt/Oder
and Berlin-Karlshorst probably transferred to Lieberose for firing
practices.
2. Comment. These were probably units of the 9th Gds Tank Div or the
12th Gds Tank Div from Fuerstenberg.
3. Comment. It is believed that a medium AAA regiment of the 31st
AAA Div transferred to Altengrabow.
4. Comment. This was probably a shipment of units of the 34th Arty
Div which presumably went to Altengrabow or Jueterbog.
5. Comment. Units of the 124th Hvy How Arty Brig possibly were to be
entrained for Altengrabow.
6. Comment. The movement probably involved elements of the 399th (?) 25X1
RL Regt of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps which apparently transferred from
Stendal-Borstel to the northern portion of the Letzing Heath for firing
practices.

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